

McCarthy and Long
— Mob Voices With
an Echo of Disaster

The basic common sense of the American people will cause them to reject flatly the proposition Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy put before the nation Thursday: That citizens should rise as one man and write President Eisenhower demanding that we cut off foreign aid to certain countries at once.

The fact that McCarthy has especially in mind those countries which are still trading with Red Russia is beside the point.

If any single senator or any mob of private citizens operating outside the framework of a legal election are going to "pressure" the President of these United States then the power — and responsibility — of the Chief Executive are gone . . . and you can expect all the disasters that normally fall on a nation which has abandoned law and order and degenerated into mob rule.

In announcing his proposition McCarthy presumes that one senator and as many private citizens as follow him know all the intricate web of foreign trade and intrigue with which the President and his cabinet have to deal — and therefore can speak with safety for the future of our country. It is crazy on the face of it. There isn't a man or woman in Hope well informed enough to tell Washington what to do about any given crisis abroad — and you know this is true.

That's why all authority over foreign affairs was delegated by the framers of our government away from the people and to the President and the United States Senate collectively. It was to guard against the possibility that the people by their own impatience and incursions would destroy our country.

How destroy? Well, for one thing, forcing the President's hand by a mob action could produce a shooting war — which we don't need right now, for sure. And while the mob brought the war on it would be the President and the Senate who would have to direct the fighting — fighting, in all probability, in which America would stand alone against the world.

We would lose that war — and we would be destroyed. We've had many political controversies in our country, but none so dangerous as the one that suggests the mob is wiser than the man the people put into office by a free election and made responsible for foreign affairs.

It should be apparent to even the most ignorant that the foreign situation is enormously difficult and complex, because our foreign policy continues pretty much the same under Republican Eisenhower as it was under 20 years of Democratic Roosevelt and Truman — and politics being what it is, his couldn't possibly have happened except under foreign facts and pressures so great that they compelled the President to act as good American instead of merely Democrat or Republican.

Some political writer has noted the fact that McCarthy isn't the first mobster to appear on the modern American scene — the other was Huey P. Long.

Roosevelt had his Long — and now Eisenhower has McCarthy. The record of editorials in this newspaper — and it will be 25 years next month — shows that we have held without exception for the resident in foreign affairs.

On no other road is there protection and safety for the people of this republic — who could be destroyed by a bitter word if it appeared to be translated abroad as the formal voice of this great country.

Work Sought on
Bradley Road

LITTLE ROCK (UP) — Four day delegations will appear at the meeting of the Arkansas Highway commission here Thursday.

One group headed by Walnut Ridge Mayor D. Leonard Lingo will seek widening of Highway 67, between Walnut Ridge and Hoxie.

Another Lawrence county delegation, headed by R. S. Rainwater, so of Walnut Ridge, will discuss property damage done by work on highway 67 at Minton.

Brooks Parker and C. C. Wine of Arkansas will seek improvements in Highway 160 from Bradley West in Lafayette county, and a group headed by Bryan McCallen of Moberly will ask work on Highway W in Clay county.

Production of honey is the least important of the bee's services to man says the National Geographic society, pollination of food and other crops being far more important.

Check your tree lights. For, by golly, Safety First Keeps Christmas jolly.

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WEATHER FORECAST

ARKANSAS: Fair this afternoon tonight. Slightly cooler this afternoon.

Experiment station report for 24-hour period ending at 8 a. m. Saturday, High 64, Low 39

Big 3 Agree to Try to Arrange Talk With Russia

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWE

TUCKER'S TOWN, Bermuda (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill, President Eisenhower and French Premier Laniel have indicated agreement that the Western Powers must accept any opportunity for sincere talks with the Soviet Union on great issues, authoritative sources said today.

Outlining positions taken by the Western Big Three at their initial Bermuda session last night, informed diplomats said differences expressed principally involved questions of emphasis.

Churchill reportedly told his colleagues the West should seek every opportunity to open up more contacts with the new rulers of Russia at every level.

Eisenhower was understood to have described the basic American view as: While tactics of the Kremlin have changed since Stalin's death, Russia's major aims of Communist world conquest remain unchanged under Premier Georgi Malenkov.

In addition to the Russian note that the interests of world peace demand willingness to talk over important questions with the Western Big Three, the Soviet Union's consideration of a reply to Moscow's acceptance of a Big Three foreign ministers meeting in Berlin.

A draft of the note has been completed for initial action by Secretary of State Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Eden and French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault. These three will meet at 10 a. m. EST, six hours before their chiefs assemble for their second session.

In addition to the Russian note, Eisenhower, Churchill and Laniel may consider far Eastern issues among which future policies toward China, the Korean peace situation and recent hints at peace possibilities in Indochina stand out.

Wants Senate Action on Atrocities

By EDWIN B. HAAKINSON

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Potter (Mich.) said today he will seek early Senate action on a request for a full-dress United Nations investigation of Communist atrocities in Korea.

Potter concluded a three-day Senate probe offered atrocities last night with an announcement that he could not "conceal my great disappointment in the resolution of censure and the expression of 'grave concern' passed by the United Nations by a vote of 42 to 5."

He referred to the U. N. General Assembly resolution adopted Thursday, U. S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. pushed through the resolution over opposition of the Soviet bloc.

Potter said he will offer in the Senate, when it meets next month, a resolution to ask the U. N. to appoint an impartial investigating commission in its next session to bring the Communists round responsible for these inhuman crimes to the bar of justice.

Potter, a member of the Senate Investigations subcommittee, began the hearings after Lodge asked U. N. action on the atrocity resolution. Potter said his new proposal is intended to bolster Lodge's position.

More than a score of survivors of Communist atrocities in Korea testified under oath during the public hearings.

This was done, Potter said, so the "American people and all the peoples of the free world may fully understand the true character of this Communist enemy."

"Nazi and Japanese war criminals

Cobb Is Named U. S. Attorney

LITTLE ROCK (UP) — Oscar Cobb, 49, long-time Republican leader in Arkansas, was appointed United States district attorney for the Eastern district of the state yesterday.

The appointment was made by President Eisenhower and will require confirmation by the senate. Cobb succeeds James T. Gooch, a Democrat who resigned to make way for a Republican successor.

Cobb already is in Washington taking a Justice Department training course for his new post. He probably will return to Arkansas tomorrow night.

A Scottish law passed in 1288 decreed that any man who rejected an offer of marriage from a girl during Leap Year could be fined as much as a pound.



TRAGEDY — John Lindberg, second from right, and members of his mountain climbing party strain under load of the body of their companion, Edgar Warner Hopf, as they pull into a ranger station on the lower slope of Mt. Chasta Sunday. Hopf, member of the Stanford University Alpine club fell 800 feet down an icy slope to his death while accompanying Lindberg and his party on climbing expedition. — NEA Telephoto

County Judges Against Tax Proposal

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Spokesmen for the Arkansas County Judges Association said yesterday the group was unanimous in its rejection of Gov. Francis Cherry's 100 per cent tax assessment proposal.

Ouachita County Judge M. C. Reynolds and Perry County Judge Carl Adams, said some 88 of the state's 75 counties were represented in the executive session at which the proposal was discussed. The press was not allowed to attend. The association ended a two-day convention yesterday.

Reynolds, association president, and Adams, secretary, issued a joint statement which said the group felt the proposal "would not solve out tax problems." The officers added that the group indicated that enforcement of present tax laws would do most "to solve the state's tax problems."

Gov. Cherry backed the measure through the 1953 Legislature and now it will appear on the ballot in the 1954 general election. The amendment would have all property assessed at 100 per cent of its value and also set limits on tax millage which counties, cities and school districts could levy.

AMA Shows Dramatic Fight to Save Child

By RAY WEBSTER, Jr.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., (UP) — The public was shown a true-to-life medical drama—a fight to save a child's life — on a network television program climaxing the American Medical Association's annual clinical meeting, which which ended here today.

A pediatrician demonstrated how the diseased blood in a newly-born infant is exchanged for normal blood on the "March of Dimes" program last night, which was presented jointly by the AMA and Smith, Kline and French Laboratories, a Philadelphia pharmaceutical firm.

Dr. Fred H. Allen, Jr., clinical associate in pediatrics at Harvard University, demonstrated the process of alternate removal and infusion of blood, which has increased the survival chances of babies afflicted with RH factor complications to "100 percent for survival with no handicap."

He explained that when a mother lacks the RH factor in her blood, and the baby inherits the factor from his father, the mother may become sensitive to the factor and create antibodies that destroy the red blood cells in the unborn baby.

The chances the mother will react in this way are about one in 20.

"Usually the baby manages to survive until birth," Allen said, "but it is then that the greatest danger comes."

Earlier Dr. Brai nBlades of the George Washington university hospital told the clinical session that fear of heart stoppage during surgery is unnecessary. He said at his hospital there have been only two such cases in 42, 636 operations over a four-year period and none in roughly 7,000 cases this year.

FLIES TO AFGHANISTAN
NEW DELHI, India, (AP) — U. S. Vice President Nixon and his party flew from India to Afghanistan today for a two-day visit to Kabul, the Afghan capital.

The National Geographic Society estimates that 215 million dollars in gold has been taken from the Klon-dike Valley.

This Soldier Is Costing the Army

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky., (UP) — Pvt. Olen M. Mowdy 17, of Portland, Ore., the off-and-on AWOL soldier, is off again, this time from the army stockade from which he escaped with a buddy.

The army estimates that the wanderlust of Pvt. Mowdy has cost the taxpayers about \$30,000.

The army said Mowdy and Pvt. Joe A. Laws, Harrogate, Tenn., overpowered guards while on a work detail and escaped. Both were serving time for being absent without leave.

Mowdy was returned to the army post recently by guards who had traced him to his home in Portland.

In Oklahoma City, he had masqueraded as an orphan with great football talent, and coaches were reported interested. However, his mother recognized a picture of him in a newspaper and notified the army.

Mowdy escaped his guards while passing through Oak Grove, Ark., and headed home to Portland. There is no other again notified authorities and he was brought back here.

Penney Co. to Give Bonus to Workers

New York — J. C. Penney Company organization, announced today that its directors have authorized a special year-end payment for more than 50,000 associates in the Company's 1,033 stores, offices and warehouses throughout the United States.

The payment will be an amount equal to two weeks' pay for all full-time associates who have been employed for the full year 1953, proportionate amounts for extra and part-time associates and those employed less than a year.

All Penney associates will share in the payment except management staff members whose earnings are determined largely by the Company's long-standing profit-sharing plan. It will be made December 18 at each associate's December 15 rate of pay. Payment at annual Xmas dinner and party to be held at the Barlow Hotel.

In a letter to the firm's associates A. W. Hughes, president, said the payment was based upon the Company's results for 1953. "We are particularly glad to be able to make this payment as a result for 1953," he said.

The payment is in addition to regular Company provisions for associates' benefits, including Sick benefit, Gratuitous Death and Discharge benefit, Thrift and Profit-sharing Retirement Fund plans, discounts on Company purchase and others. It is the seventh to be made since the end of World War II.

Another Hearing for Bell Hike Denied

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Van Buren's request to the Arkansas Public Service Commission for another hearing on a 2½ million dollar rate boost for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., has been denied.

At the first hearing before the commission, Van Buren protested Bell's policy of charging identical rates in Van Buren and Fort Smith because Fort Smith had dial phones while Van Buren did not.

Although the commission has granted the telephone company's requested increase, the decision probably will be appealed to the courts.

U. S., Allies to Keep UN on Standby

By TOM HOGE

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — The United States and its 15 Korean War allies in the United Nations were reported lining up support today for a plan to keep the U. N. Assembly on tap after it closes shop next week. It they could be recalled quickly if new trouble arises over Korea.

Observers predicted the projected call for an indefinite recess rather than outright adjournment would meet opposition on two counts:

1. The scheme, springing from Allied feeling that Korea should not be debated without Special Ambassador Arthur Dean is negotiating with the Reds at Pannumjon is expected to run into Soviet bloc objections. A source close to the Russians said they want the Korean issue discussed here and now on ground that it is the most vital question before the U. N.

2. The proposal reportedly would provide that the Assembly could be reconvened whenever a majority of the 60 U. N. members deems it necessary. This would collide with a resolution put up by India last night proposing that the Assembly recess until February subject to the call of its president — India's Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit — if the Korean situation warrants.

Victims of Red Brutality Tell Stories

BY DEWIN B. HAAKINSON
WASHINGTON (AP) — Seven more Korean War veterans, witnesses to Communist atrocities, were called today to tell their stories in public.

Sen. Potter (R-Mich.), presiding at the Senate hearings, said they would help pinpoint a pattern of Communist brutality and torture. Men and officers who were left as dead by Korean Communist unfolded a gruesome story of personal heroism and survival at the opening sessions yesterday before Potter's one-man Senate investigation subcommittee.

After listening to these accounts, Potter said the Korean War may prove to be "the most courageous chapter in American military history."

Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, Army chief of staff and former commander in Korea, said evidence showed a "studied and calculated course of criminal misconduct" by Communist leaders "to exterminate prisoners of war in one way or another."

As a result, he said, American soldiers now will get tougher training "for their sake and for their country's honor and integrity."

The hearings were timed to strengthen support for the resolution now pending before the United Nations Assembly to condemn such atrocities.

J. Col. Jack Todd, head of an Army commission collecting data on Korean War criminals, was the leadoff witness today. On hand to follow him were these Korean veterans: Sgt. Wendell Treffery of Terryville, Conn.; Sgt. Berry F. Rhoden of Mac Clenny, Fla.; Sgt. George J. Matta of Brocton, Capt. Linton J. Buttery of Nashville, Tenn.; Cpl. Willie L. Daniels of Oakland, Calif.; and Charles Kenard, now a civilian living in Florida.

RESIGNS.
SANTIAGO, Chile, (AP) — Foreign Minister Oscar Fennier resigned last night. There was no official explanation.

Spanish Crash Leaves 27 Dead, One American

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Twenty-seven persons, including one American, were believed to have perished in the crash of a Spanish two-engine commercial airliner 60 miles north of here.

The plane, a British-built Bristol operated by the Spanish Commercial Aviation Co., on a flight from Bilbao to Madrid, smashed into a rain-shrouded peak towering above the Sierra Pass last night, 20 minutes before it was due in the Spanish capital.

A spokesman for the plane's owners said the American aboard was Paul J. Douglas, a U. S. State Department courier. He was reportedly attached to the Paris embassy.

Officials announced there were only six known survivors. Earlier conflicting casualty reports ranged from none to 22 killed.

The pilot, co-pilot, a mechanic and three Spanish passengers escaped from the plane after it went down. All six were injured.

Both legs of one survivor, a woman, were broken. The other survivors carried her over the tortuous trail to the nearest village, a three-hour hike. Search parties attempting to make their way back to the wreckage were hampered by heavy rain and fog.

Survivors reported the plane's right engine burst into flame after it struck the mountain. The flames spread to left engine and the plane exploded just after the injured pilot was pulled from wreckage.

Two Britons were reported among the crash victims.

Ike Writes Sympathy to a Mother

MARTINEZ, Calif. (UP) — President Eisenhower, who has known the heartbreak of losing a young son, wrote a letter expressing sympathy and understanding to a mother whose own three-year-old son, Joe, was the 33rd drowning victim of a government irrigation canal.

Warren Anderson, the boy's father, wrote a letter to the President recently asking for his help in having the Contra Costa canal fenced to prevent future tragedies. The plea touched off repercussions from California to Washington.

Anderson's father Warren wrote the President:

"I want to build a fence for my boy, Joe. There's an unfenced canal that meanders through our country here in California. We live just a few yards from it and it's a danger to our children.

"I can't fence it, nor can any of my neighbors, because it belongs to our government. That's why I'm writing to you . . . The canal is your responsibility, Mr. President."

Anderson said he wanted the fence to prevent other boys falling in.

Mr. Eisenhower replied to the letter Nov. 28. It was disclosed yesterday. In it he spoke as one father to another who had suffered the loss of an infant son.

"The President expressed his sincere sympathy. He said he is asking the interior department to look into the matter."

"Rarely have I been touched by any letter as by yours of the 20th," Mrs. Eisenhower and I lost our first—and then only son—when he was three and one-half years old. I am keenly aware of the sense of total loss that must engulf you.

"To provide some answer for you concerning the hazards presented by unfenced canals to the children of our country, I am sending you a letter to the Department of Interior. I assume that the canal must be part of some project constructed under the reclamation bureau of that department."

"In any event, an appropriate official, either in that department or any other that may be responsible, will give you an explanation of the existing situation and any other information he believes you might find interesting."

"I know that no words of mine can diminish the pain you feel in the loss of your son, even though I assure you that you have my deep and sincere sympathy. Certainly I hope that through some proper way, steps can be taken to see that this kind of tragedy is not repeated in the future."



CHAMP — Mrs. M. R. McCrackin, Albuquerque, N. M., gives a smile to match her winning bridge hand that helped her score 28½ points to win Open Individual Championship of the American Contract Bridge League's 27th annual winter tournament in Dallas. — NEA Telephoto

Egyptian Shore Guns Fire On U. S. Ship

By EDWARD POLLAK
CAIRO, Egypt, (AP) — The American Embassy announced today that the 7,255-ton American freighter Alblon had reported Egyptian shore batteries fired on her as she tried to deliver 8,000 tons of wheat to Jordan for Arab refugees from Palestine.

The attack reportedly occurred yesterday in the Gulf of Aqaba, east of Egypt's Sinai Peninsula. The Alblon was bound for the Jordan port of Aqaba, at the head of the gulf.

The ship's first report made no mention of casualties or damage to the vessel.

It appeared likely that the Egyptian gunners had believed the ship was destined for Elath, an Israeli port also at the head of the gulf to which considerable traffic is routed to circumvent Arab Egypt's ban on Israel-bound shipping passing through the Suez Canal.

The Alblon reported she had pulled out of the firing area but was making another attempt today to reach Aqaba.

The embassy said it had urgent representations to the Egyptian government and that President Mohammed Naguib's regime had given assurances that action would be taken to facilitate the ship's passage through Aqaba Gulf.

The Egyptians also promised an immediate investigation into the reported shooting.

Six-Way Pill Is Good for Ulcers

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE
ST. LOUIS (AP) — A six-way pill was described as a new and promising treatment for stomach ulcers in an exhibit shown today to the American Medical Association.

It combines four different acids to counteract excess stomach acids causing or worsening the ulcers. The fifth element is an omelet extract which binds the acidifiers together and releases them slowly for about two hours. The sixth ingredient is a gummy material which forms a protective coating over the lining of the stomach or the duodenum, the first part of the intestine.

These new pills, not yet on the market, have relieved pain within a few days in most of more than 250 patients treated so far, according to the exhibit.

McCarthy's Plea Brings Letters

By RAYMOND LAHR
WASHINGTON, (UP) — Hundreds of telegrams poured into the White House today as a result of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy's request that Americans advise President Eisenhower how they feel about U. S. air for nations in the blood trade with Red China.

Assistant White House Press Secretary Murray Snyder said that 800 telegrams were received by midnight but no break down had been made to determine how many were pro-administration and how many pro-McCarthy.

McCarthy Is Keeping Tally on Messages

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. McCarthy kept an eye today on White House tallying of returns from his "tell it to Eisenhower" plea for messages from the people as to how they stand on foreign policy.

But he seemed to have abandoned his earlier announced plan to send a message himself to President Eisenhower, attending the Big Three conference in Bermuda, if the McCarthy tally keeps running ahead of the White House count.

"I think the president himself should be informed," McCarthy had said last night, shortly after he charged — and the White House denied — that someone on Eisenhower's staff was making a stock count through an "honest . . . but irrelevant mistake."

But later, after the White House reported receipt of more telegrams and a backlog of still others, McCarthy said:

"I'm happy to see the revised figures. We'll check our figures back and forth and I think they'll finally jibe."

McCarthy called for letters and telegrams to the President Thursday after repeating his contention that U. S. aid should be stopped to any free world nation which traded with Communist China. He said Americans who share this view should tell it to Eisenhower.

The President and Secretary of State Dulles have taken the position that attempted coercion of allies would endanger free world unity in the face of the Soviet menace.

Later yesterday, Assistant Presidential Press Secretary Murray Snyder said 1,600 telegrams had been received up to 4 p. m. (EST), as well as about 50 letters. He said he would announce today how many favored McCarthy and how many upheld Eisenhower and Dulles.

Newspaper Strike in Second Week

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York City newspaper strike enters its second week today as negotiators and federal mediators renew their efforts to resolve a deadlocked wage dispute between publishers and photo-engravers.

New Yorkers seemed increasingly lost without any major local daily to read, although television and radio has been striving to fill the news vacuum created by the walkout which started last Saturday.

After yesterday's negotiation meetings all parties reported "absolutely no change" in the situation.

Later in the day, officials of striking Local 1 of the A.P.E. International Photo-Engravers Union and other unions affected by the walkout held a two-hour session.

After it ended Thomas Murphy, executive vice president of CIO Newspaper Guild Local 3, commented:

"Things look no better today than last week and they were bad then."

Federal Mediator Walter A. Magallo set another mediation meeting for 11 a. m. (EST) today.

The strike, especially during the pre-holiday season, has caused losses in merchandising, advertising and wages running into many millions of dollars.

White County Leader Dies

SEARCH, (AP) — Homer McDonald, a bank official, city alderman and White County Republican leader, died last night at his home here. He was 60.

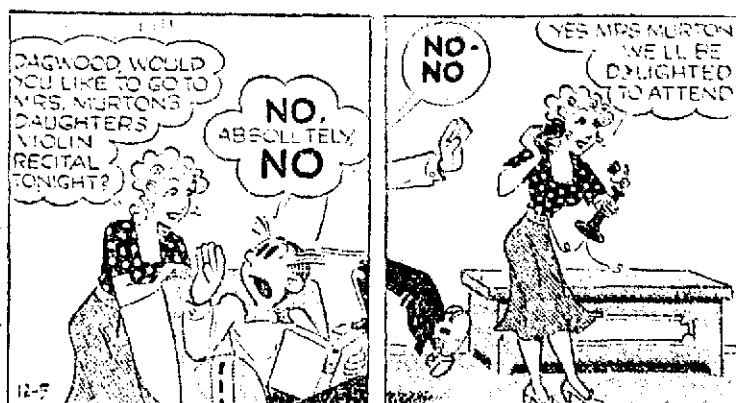
McDonald served 30 years on Searcy's City Council, and once was city water commissioner. He was a director of the search Bank.

He formerly was a White County Republican Committee member.



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By Chick Young



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By Ray Gatto



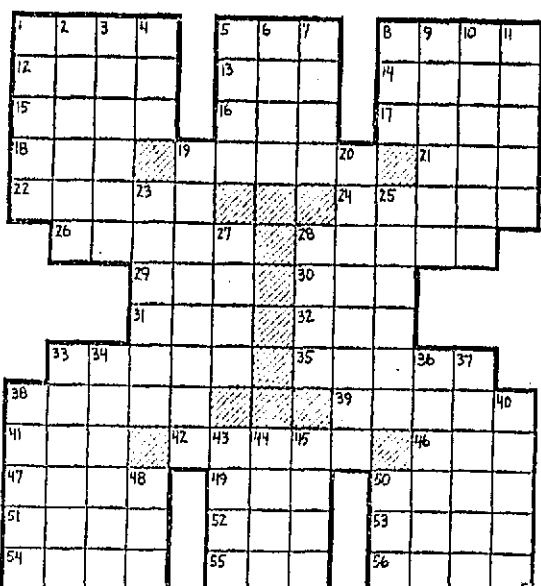
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS
1 Minute skin openings
2 Avoids
3 Abrogate
4 Transposes (ab.)
5 Certain
6 Bewildered
7 Seines
8 Crowd
9 Ester of oleic acid
10 Separator
11 Lamprey-catcher
12 Offered in payment
13 Simple substances
14 Pertaining to the jolly
15 Dress
16 Canvas shelter
17 Tropical tree
18 Originate
19 Hurry
20 Wild ass
21 Vendor
22 Planet's path (poet.)

DOWN
12 Above
13 Employ
14 Century plant
15 Corded fabrics
16 Rot by exposure
17 European blackbird
18 Before
19 Pester
20 Goddess of Infatuation
21 Not fresh
22 Tumble
23 Slope
24 Hinder
25 Fish
26 Danish county
27 Century (ab.)
28 Hawaiian wreath
29 Map
30 Sets of nested boxes
31 Pupal case
32 Doctrine
33 Legal point
34 Challenge
35 Malt beverage
36 Mitigate
37 Rodent
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39 Passage in the brain
40 Sea eagle
41 Hammer head
42 Numbers
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44 Makes mistakes



OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



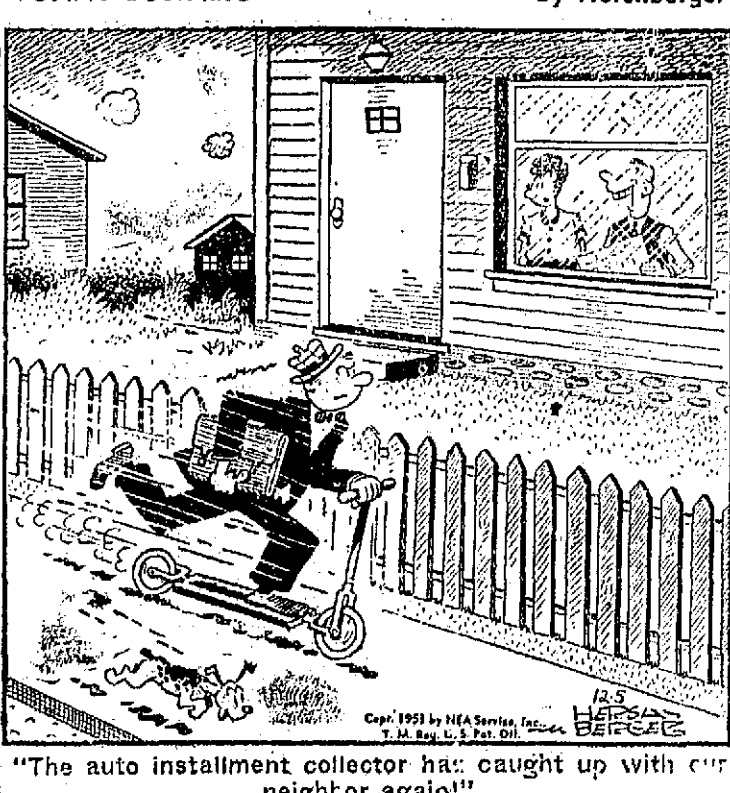
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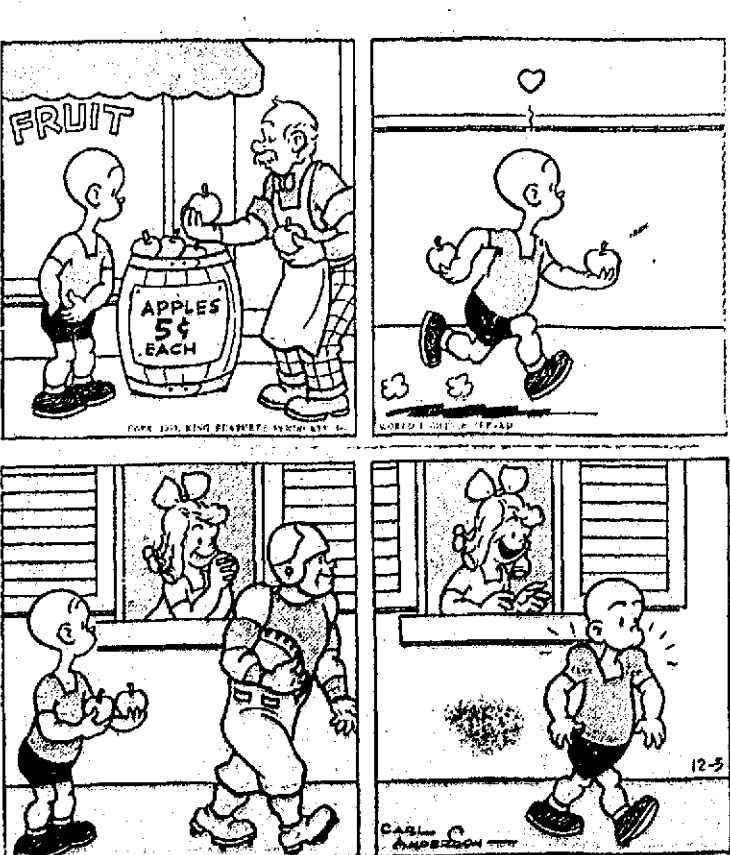
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By Hershberger



HENRY

By Carl Anderson



VIC FLINT

By Michael O'Malley and Ralph Lane



WASH TUBBS

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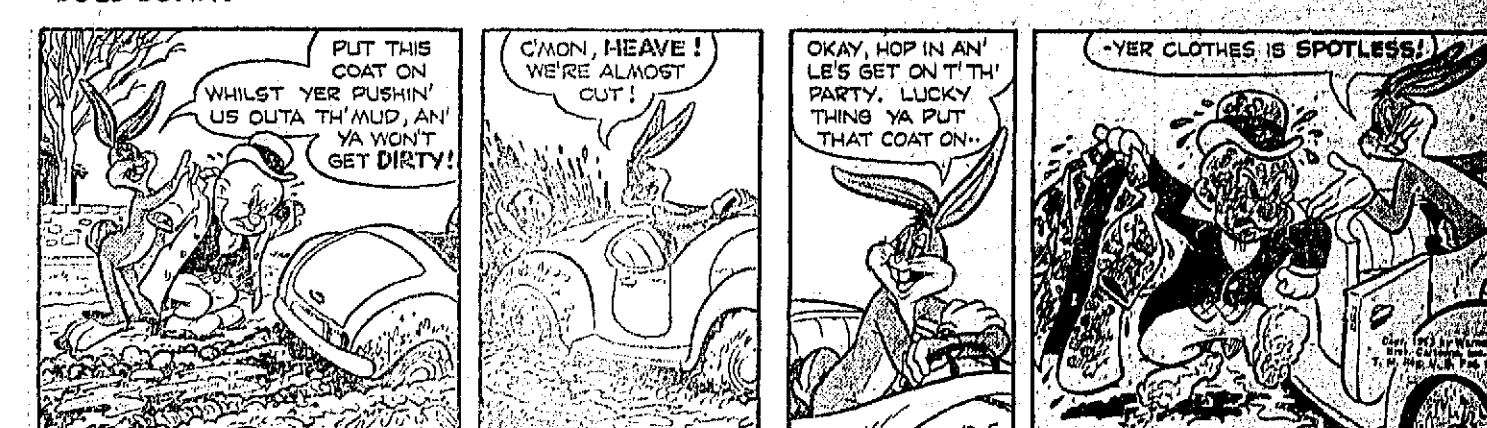


BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

By Edgar Martin



BUGS BUNNY



ALLEY OOP

By V. T. Hamlin



CHRIS WELKIN, Planeteer

By Russ Winterbottom



THE STORY OF MARTHA WAYNE

By Wilson Scruggs



CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



